

## REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application.

### Office Action Rejections Summary

Claims 1, 2-4, 7, 11-15, 17, 21, 24-28, 39-43, 45-47, 49-51, and 54 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,436,535 of Lattibeaudiere ("Lattibeaudiere") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,351,142 of Abbott ("Abbott").

Claims 29, 33-34 and 37 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication No. 20030005146 of Miller et al. ("Miller") in view of Abbott.

Claims 56-60 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,920,886 of Feldmeier ("Feldmeier") in view of Abbott.

Claims 6, 9-10, 18-19, 22-23, 30, 32, 35-36, 38, and 53 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

### Status of Claims

Claims 1-4, 6-7, 9-15, 17-19, 21-30, 32-43, 45-47, 49-51, 53-54, and 56-60 are pending in the application. No claims have been. No claims have been added. No claims have been canceled.

Claims 6, 9-10, 18-19, 22-23, 30, 32, 35-36, 38, and 53 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Therefore, the following remarks are directed to the rejected claims.